

## NEWS & INSIGHTS

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### ASHBY PATE APPOINTED TO BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Lightfoot, Franklin & White LLC partner **R. Ashby Pate** has been appointed by Mayor Randall Woodfin to the Birmingham Airport Authority board of directors. The airport authority is the governmental group that provides supervision for Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport. Pate will begin his six-year term on July 30, 2020.

Pate routinely takes on some of the firm's most controversial matters involving government officials, including the 2016 judicial ethics prosecution of former Chief Justice Roy Moore. His practice also focuses on commercial and medical devices, catastrophic injury, appeals and international disputes. A trial lawyer at heart — and a former justice on the Supreme Court of the island nation of Palau — he has successfully tried several bench and jury trials to verdict, as well as presided over hundreds of cases as a trial and appellate judge in Palau. He also helped create Palau's first-ever jury trial system.

Read more in the Birmingham Business Journal's [coverage of Pate's appointment](#).